

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on line 31 of page 5 with the following paragraph:

The base station controller 102 comprises a group switching field 120 and a control unit 124. The group switching field 120 is used for switching speech and data and for connecting signalling circuits. The base ~~station~~ stations 100 and the base station controller 102 form a base station system 126, which also comprises a transcoder 122. The distribution of functions between the base station controller 102 and the base ~~station~~ stations 100 as well as their physical structure may vary in different implementations. The base ~~station~~ stations 100 typically ~~manages~~ manage the implementation of the radio path as described above. The base station controller 102 typically manages the following things: configuration of traffic channels, frequency hopping control, paging of subscriber terminals, power control, quality control of active channels, and handover control.